

NEW LONDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Regular Meeting – Monday, December 12, 2016 @ 7 p.m.

Mayor John Martin called the meeting to order. He then gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was then taken with the following members present: Curtis, Myers, Willis, Paramore, and Winslow. Cooke was absent.

Also present: Ellen Simmons, Chief Marko, Steve Bond, Shawn Pickworth, Bob James, Joe Thomas, Joe Hicks, Eric Lucas, Bob Lambert, Lance Capiot, Daniel Donnelly, David Spanower and Lynn Phillips.

John Martin then asked for approval of the agenda. Paramore made a motion to approve the agenda. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.

The minutes from the regular meeting held on November 28, 2016 were then presented for approval. Curtis made a motion to approve the minutes. Paramore seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.

The minutes from the All Other Budget Meeting held on November 28, 2016 were then presented for approval. Paramore made a motion to approve the minutes. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; no one opposed.

John Martin asked for any public questions or statements. Ellen Simmons thanked the Fire, Police and Ambulance Services along with village employees for their help in making Hometown Holidays a success.

John Martin then called for a report from the Administrator.

Shawn reported the following.

Water

- Working with John, Don and Poggemeyer on moving forward with the rebuild of the filters. Bid docs and prints should be finished this week/early next week. We would like to advertise the last 2 weeks in December and open bids either the week of January 9th or the week of January 16th.
- OPWC Issue 1 Funding total for Round 31 is \$599,372 in 0% interest loans for a 30 year term. Money will be released in July 2017. We did receive an additional \$300,000 in funding.
- I would like to ask Council to take Matthew Hardy off of probation and to hire him full time as a Water/Wastewater Operator starting tomorrow. Matt has done everything that has been asked of him to do.
- Would like to say congratulations to Cole Risner for passing his Class II Water Certification. Cole now has his Class II in Water and a Class I in Wastewater.

Wastewater
Sanitation

- Recycling – attached is a summary of what we spend per year on recycling card board, metal and newspaper along with our revenue for recycling. Below that is some estimates on what it would cost the Village if we started to recycle plastic bottles.

Street

- We had the first winter snow event this past weekend; crews did a good job maintaining our roads.
- We are going to have Midwest Pavement Analysis & Design come in and rate our roads, give us some estimates on what it is going to cost the Village to fix/repair or replace. This will be done after the first of the year.

Parks

- Breakfast with Santa will be on Sunday, December 18, 2016 from 8 am – 12 Noon.

Other

- We should receive a check by the end of this week for the AVC portion of the 9 roofs that will be replaced; once the work has been completed we will receive the full RVC amounts.
- Police Garage – I contacted the land owner that owns a strip of land that butts up to our land on the east side of the parking lot and he has agreed to sell the Village this strip that would allow us to build a larger garage for the police department. Attached is a sketch that will show you what we have been working on. I would like council's permission to move forward with the purchase of this land and allow me to get some quotes for the building.
- Fringe Fund – I told Council during our budget meeting that the State Auditors want this fund to be a part of each of the individual funds, example Water, Sewer, Street, Sanitation etc. Right now, each employee gets \$384 per/year plus if there is any carry overs from the previous year. We would like Council's approval to make it a flat \$400 per/year with no carry overs. This would make the Auditors happy and simplify it a little for Nancy.
- Next Council Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 28, 2016 @ 6:30 PM due to the Christmas Holiday.
- I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Water/Sewer Dept. John Chapin absent.

John Martin then asked for a report from Street/Sanitation. Don Patton absent.

John Martin then called for a report from the Recreation Department. Joe Thomas reported that at the reservoir, two of the old cabins have been moved and the other two have been scheduled to move. They have been removing trees where the old cabins were to get those spots ready to be used as seasonal sites. They have firewood for sale if anyone is interested. Joe also stated he has his lineup for the 2017 Rockin' the Rez.

At the recreation park, Joe announced he would be having Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 18 from 8 a.m. to noon. Corn hole leagues have started and they have 14 teams this year. Joe met with the new ride company for the Labor Day festival. The company is called McGinnis Amusements. They are out of

Strongsville, Ohio and are a family owned business. They should be able to step right in and the festival should continue to be as great as it is every year.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Police Chief. Chief Marko stated he had nothing to report until New Business.

John Martin then asked for a report from the Ambulance. Bill Curtis reported there were 42 runs for November. There were 21 in the Village of New London; 2 in New London Township; three in Ruggles Township; five in Troy Township; eight in Fitchville Township and three Mutual Aids (Clear Creek Township – 2; and Clarksfield Township – 1) There were four motor vehicle accidents; one each in Troy Township, Fitchville Township, New London Township and Clarksfield Township. There was one Fire Stand-by and 10 Negative Transports.

John Martin then asked for a report from Zoning. Bob James reported he sent letters to all the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals and Zoning Commission reminding them that the two boards will be combined and to see who was interested in being members on those boards. He stated he had not heard back from anyone. John Martin replied that there were three members whose terms are not up until December 31, 2017. Those members should be able to be moved right over to the newly combined board. Bob James stated he did not have any of that information. John Martin said he feels that with the three members whose terms are not up until 2017 they should have enough to move forward and would also take into consideration anyone else who has an interest in becoming a member of the board.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-22 An Ordinance Providing for the Appointment of the Village Solicitor. Third Reading. Paramore made a motion to approve the third reading. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-26 An Ordinance Amending the 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance to make Appropriations for Certain Expenses, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 16-26 to be passed on an emergency measure. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Absent; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Paramore made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-27 An Ordinance Adopting the 2017 Annual Appropriations for the Operation of the Village of New London. First Reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the first reading. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Ordinance 2016-28 An Ordinance Amending the 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance to make Appropriations for Certain Expenses, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Paramore made a motion to suspend the rules to allow Ordinance 16-28 to be passed on an emergency measure. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Absent; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Paramore made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2016-08 A Resolution to Reimburse Collections in the Fund for Gifts from the Terry Wilson Memorial Observation Deck Committee Back to the CSX Fund. Second Reading. Curtis made a motion to approve the second reading. Myers seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented Resolution 2016-09 A Resolution Authorizing the Release of Funds Formerly Held in the Fund for Gifts from the Friends of the New London Cemetery to the Friends' Newly Created Charitable Corporation, and Declaring an Emergency. Emergency Reading. Myers made a motion to suspend

the rules to allow Resolution 2016-09 to be passed on an emergency measure. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call: Winslow, Yes; Curtis, Yes; Cooke, Absent; Myers, Yes; Willis, Yes; Paramore, Yes. Myers made a motion to approve the emergency reading. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – all ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then called for Old Business.

Bill Curtis asked if we had heard anything from CSX. John Martin replied that the last conversation he had with them they stated it was on hold. They are planning on doing some work. They want to meet and he has talked with ODOT and PUCO and hopefully everything will be resolved by the middle of January. One of the people who came to do the analysis on the crossing became ill and will not be available until around the 15th of January. John Martin is hopeful that by the second council meeting in January there should be more results.

John Martin then called for New Business.

Chief Marko started by thanking the village residents for their support. He also thanked the police officers attending the council meeting for their support. He then stated that police departments are one of the most scrutinized agencies in the United States. They are not only scrutinized by the public but also by other government agencies. One of those government agencies is LEADS (Law Enforcement Automated Data Systems). They keep a close eye on police stations. This is where they get their sensitive data. Chief stated he has two officers who are in charge of LEADS and every three years they have an audit. There is a Terminal Agency Coordinator and an Assistant Terminal Agency Coordinator. When LEADS does an audit, the department is scrutinized very hard. Chief Marko then stated he had an officer who does everything with their computers. He installs them, updates them and everything else needed. He does this and has a full time job outside of the police department. Chief Marko then asked Mayor John Martin to present three officers with Awards of Commendation. Robert Lambert was given an award for his exceptional job as Terminal Agency Coordinator with the LEADS program. Lance Capiot was given an award for his exceptional job as Assistant Terminal Agency Coordinator with the LEADS program. Eric Lucas was given an award for his exceptional job and tireless work on the police department's computer system.

Neil Winslow stated he was touched by the 3rd grade recycling presentation at the November 14th council meeting. Mr. Winslow also attends Firelands Electric Board Meetings and all of their board members have iPad they use instead of all the paper. He feels it could make a difference if the Village of New London could do the same thing. It would drastically reduce the amount of paper used at council meetings. He hopes this is something council will look into. He talked to Firelands Electric about cost and feels it would be a savings in the long run.

After a discussion about Matthew Hardy, Curtis made a motion to take Matthew Hardy off probation as of December 13, 2016. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call: Cooke, absent; Paramore, yes; Winslow, yes; Willis, yes; Curtis, yes; Myers, yes.

Myers made a motion to allow the Village Administrator to go forward with the purchase of a strip of land that butts up to the village's land on the east side of the parking lot that would allow the village to build a garage for the police department. Willis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

Paramore then made a motion to allow the village to make the dental/optical fringe fund allowance a flat \$400 per person per year with no carryover balance from year to year. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call – All ayes; No one opposed.

John Martin then presented the monthly bills for approval under Schedule A. Myers made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Curtis seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; No one opposed.

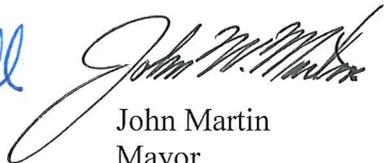
John Martin then presented the monthly bills for approval under Schedule B. Curtis made a motion to approve Schedule B. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call: Paramore – yes; Winslow – yes; Willis – yes; Curtis – yes; Cooke – absent; Myers – disqualify herself.

Before Martin asked for an adjournment he wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Paramore made a motion to adjourn. Winslow seconded the motion. Roll call - All ayes; no one opposed.



Nancy Howell
Fiscal Officer



John Martin
Mayor

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